

These are the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County held on Monday, September 12, 2016. Members Present: Chairman Justin Hall, Supervisors Doug Mrotek, Ralph Meixner, Joel Valentin, Dave Aubart, Treasurer Kari Aderman and Clerk Erica Warshawsky.

Chairman Hall called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Clerk Warshawsky affirmed agenda was posted in compliance with open meetings law.

Motion by Mrotek, seconded by Meixner to approve the consent agenda below less items h, i and j and add letters received to the July 11, 2016 regular meeting minutes:

- a. Approve Agenda
- b. Review and Approve Vouchers for July and August, 2016
- c. Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Public Hearing
- d. Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Regular Meeting
- e. Minutes of the June 25, 2016 Board of Review
- f. Minutes of the February 1, 2016 Fire Department Meeting
- g. Minutes of the March 7, 2016 Fire Department Meeting
- h. Minutes of the June 7, 2016 Fire Department Meeting
- i. Minutes of the July 4, 2016 Fire Department Meeting
- j. Minutes of the August 1, 2016 Fire Department Meeting
- k. Minutes of the July 7, 2016 Planning Committee Meeting

Motion carried.

Hall presented correspondence:

1. Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA) sent a letter regarding the Turnout for Transportation Meeting, Thursday, September 29, 2016, 7:00 pm.
2. Claude Riglemon sent an email with a sample of the postcard being sent to property owner who purchased property in 2016.
3. Public Notice from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding a permit application from LCO to discharge into the LCO Reserve Lagoon.

Hall presented the conditional use permit for Michael Neibert for construction of a 24' x 27' accessory structure across a town road from the parcel of land that contains a principal structure. The applicant was not present. Warshawsky presented the Planning Committee's recommendation. The Planning Committee approved the application with the condition that if the 2 parcels are ever separated, the building shall be removed. The applicant agreed to the condition. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve the application with the Planning Committee's condition. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mrotek, seconded by Valentin to approve the Sawyer County Ordinance Amendments listed below:

1. 6.11 Tourist Rooming House
2. 17.4 A-1 Agricultural One Changes

Motion carried.

Fire Chief Marvin Mullet presented the Fire Department Report. Mullet reported that the picnic went well. Treasurer Aderman reported that the Fire Department has received \$11,600.00 in donations so far. Mullet reported that there

were no serious calls, Mullet inspected LCO Head Start and the Fire Department has begun Landing Zone (LZ) training.

Fire Department Purchases – A request for SCBA and scene lighting will be presented at the next meeting.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve Anthony Price as a new Fire Department member. Motion carried.

Hall reported that the sheet metal repair and painting of the Fire Hall has been completed.

ISO Rating – Nothing new to report

Highway Crew Chief Truit Campbell presented the Highway Report. Campbell reported that July and August were spent on storm clean up, wash outs, grading, patching and shouldering. Culverts were repaired and the second pass of mowing and brushing has begun. Campbell has been working with the DNR on beaver dams. Campbell was contacted by Bruce Wick regarding the snowmobile trail. Moving the trail by Grindstone will be on next month's agenda.

Campbell presented the crack sealing and seal coating updates. Crack sealing was completed on July 20, 2016. There was a boiler slag problem with the seal coating. The boiler slag that was selected for the project was unavailable. Fahrner used the top of the line boiler slag on Highline Road for no additional cost.

Highland Road Update – A complaint was received regarding Highland Road, but has been taken care of.

Campbell presented the Williams Resort Road/LRIP Project Update. Campbell reported that the weather has put the project back 2 months, but it is moving forward.

Campbell reviewed a handout with the Board regarding the 2016 paving projects. Campbell recommended completing all projects listed and asked the Board if they would like to add all of Circle Road and Moccasin Road since the roads are adjacent to the other roads in the project and the price for paving is very good this year. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve paving all of Circle Road and to add Moccasin Road. Motion carried. A resolution to amend the 2016 budget will be presented next month.

Motion by Mrotek, seconded by Valentin to approve sale of the brush mower for \$1,000.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrotek, seconded by Meixner to approve both driveway permits. Motion carried.

Treasurer Kari Aderman presented the Treasurer's Report. Aderman reported that as of July 31, 2016, the Town has a total of \$623,379.34 in all of their accounts. The Clerk and Treasurer balanced for the month of July. As of August 31, 2015 the Town has a total of \$806,005.33 in all of their accounts. The Clerk and Treasurer balanced for the month of August. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Valentin to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report - None

Hall presented the Ordinance Regarding the Public Reserve Strips Located in the Northwoods Beach Subdivision. Hall read a petition signed by residents of Bass Lake in favor of the Board passing the ordinance. Town attorney Ward Winton was present. Section 3 Definition of Public accesses in the Town of Bass Lake was reviewed. Section 8 Penalty was reviewed. Discussion followed. Winton recommended leaving Section 8 as written. Hall presented 2 versions of the ordinance to the Board; Version 4 reviewed and revised by Ward Winton and Version 7 revised by the Chairman/Clerk and reviewed by Ward Winton. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to use Version 7. Roll call vote: Aubart – yes, Valentin – Yes, Meixner – yes, Mrotek – yes and Hall - yes. Motion carried.

Hall presented H in Section 5 Conditions of Use allowing the Board to reach agreements with adjoining landowners. Hall stated that the ordinance can be passed with or without H. Section 6 Schedule of Removal and the Schedule of Removal in attachment "A" were reviewed and discussed. Hall asked the Board what they would like. Valentin suggested 1 year for A. Immediate Items and 2 years for B. Short Term Items. Fences were discussed and all fences must have a gate marked "Public Access". Motion by Valentin, seconded by Aubart to approve ordinance with the addition of H, the changes to the schedule of removal and the revised sentence regarding fences in Attachment A.

George Hartung demanded proof that the Town owns public reserve strip. Winton replied that there are 2 parts to the answer:

1. The plat of Northwoods Beach lots that border Grindstone and Lac Courte Oreilles lakes were dedicated on the Plat and in the actual documents that created the subdivision.
2. In 1967, the Town sued all landowner on the strip in what is called a quiet title action. In the lawsuit, the Town asked the court to determine ownership. 9 people filed what is called an "answer" which is a formal answer to a complaint. Those 9 people entered into a stipulation. The 9 could continue to maintain structures and that could be passed on. The decision went on to state there was no ownership. The Town is the owner and was directed to post signs.
- 3.

Hartung ask for a legal document. Ward explained that when a subdivision is created, the survey comes out. The subdivision was created by the Wise brothers. Ward instructed Hartung to go to the Sawyer County Register of Deeds office. Ward concluded by stating that the strips were dedicated to the Town. Roll call vote: Aubart – yes, Valentin – yes, Meixner – yes, Mrotek – yes and Hall - yes. Motion carried.

Dave presented the nuisance complaint update for Atkins Avenue and Anderson Road. Aubart reported that 1 was resolved and the other is unresolved. Warshawsky will write a follow up letter and Hall will review.

Hall read the Resolution to Vacate a Town Alley – Village of Reserve/Thoroughfare Road. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart. Roll call vote: Aubart – yes, Valentin – yes, Meixner – yes, Mrotek – yes and Hall - yes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Mrotek to join the Wisconsin Independent Assessing Officers Associations (WIAOA). January 1 each year. Motion carried.

The budget workshop will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Mrotek to allow the Clerk to gather LP quotes and accept best quote with the approval of the Chairman. Motion carried.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Valentin to allow the Clerk to gather transfer station bag quotes and accept best quote with the approval of the Chairman. Motion carried.

Hall presented a request to post "No ATV" Signs on Circle Road. Mrotek stated that legally ATVs can't ride on a road not marked. Discussion followed. Hall asked Valentin to check on Tribal rules regarding ATVs. Valentin will look into it and report at next month's meeting.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Valentin to approve the operator license application presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Valentin to adjourn at 7:59 pm. Motion carried.